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END OF TITANIC INQUIRY IN SIGHT

Senate Committee Expects to Finish Testimony of the **British Witnesses** To-day.

OFFICERS AND CREW FREE

More Evidence Brought Out Relative to the Use of Wireless, and a Survivor Tells of Pathetic Scenes on Board

Washington, April 29.-The Senate's

The sessions to-day were simost solely by Senator Smith. No one of his colleagues appeared until after 4 er Republican member who was present at all was Senator Bourne, who appeared thirty-five minutes before ad-

Officers and Crew Released.

pathia to send details of the disaster; Frederick M. Sammis, chief engineer of the Marconi company, who was inoperators: Hugh Woolner, of London, a survivor, who told reluctantly of the pathetic scenes attending the launching of the lifeboats and the sinking of the ship: Harold S. Bride, the assistant wireless operator on the Titanic, who had testified in New York; Joseph G. Boxhall, fourth officer of the Titanic, who had testified before, and H. T. Cottam, wireless operator on the Carpathia, who was questioned regarding the sale of stories of the disaster.

The most interesting story was told by Mr. Woolner, who related his experiences on the night of the disaster, in cluding his observations of the conduct of Mrs. Isidor Straus, when she refused to leave her husband. Mr. Woolner told of assisting in the loading of boats, and

"So far as I know, all the women and children were put in except Mrs. Straus, who would not go. Twice I tried to get her to go, and she refused altogether. I then turned to Mr. Straus, saying: 'I'm sure nobody will object to an old gentleman like you getting in, sir. There seems to be some room in this boat." I will not go before the other men,

Mr. Straus replied.

Saw No Other Women Left.

Mr. Woolner said he then went to the deck below, accompanied by a friend, a Mr. Steffenson, to see if any women or children had been overlooked. They walked the entire length of the deck and saw none, but did so er coming in, and, appreciating their own danger they went out on deck. There they saw a lifeboat being loaded. It was not ful! and both men jumped for it. Mr. Steffenson landed safely, but Mr. Woolner landed in the water, grasping the gunwale. He was promptly pulled into the boat by his friend, and together they

pulled in another man. Mr. Woolner said the ship had a list

haps eight feet from the side. Mr. Woolner said he had been asked by letter to look after Mrs. Churchill Candee, and he succeeded in getting her

into one of the first boats lowered. When he first went to the boat deck, Mr. Woolner said, he heard the captain give orders that the passengers should be assembled on the next lower, or "A" deck, saying he would load the boats from there. Mr. Woolner asked Captain Smith if he had not forgotten that the glass ports on that deck were closed, and the captain replied, "My God! You're right!" and immediately countermanded

Mr. Woolner testified that he saw ab solutely no lack of order or discipline on

spoke of them with evident admiration. When pressed for more details regarding the affecting scenes attending the parting of husbands and wives, the witness shook his head and said: "It was very distressing, a very distressing af-

The greater part of the morning was devoted to the examination of Mr. Sammis. who held his own against the chairman. He said, in effect, that he saw no reason why the wireless operators, who were not any too well paid, should not have had the privilege of selling the stories of their experience; that he made the arrangement for the sale and in-

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The Bully Buccaneer One of the best sea stories ever written by S. TEN EYCK BOURKE

CHARLES FRANCIS BOURKE In the next SUNDAY MAGAZINE of the

New-York Tribune

MUSICAL DIRECTOR HURT J. McPhie, of Pittsburgh, Found

in Basement with Head Broken.

street last night, with a deep laceration the base of the skull. He was remove

Dr. Ivins, of Flower Hospital, took fif-

sail on the Arabic on June The police say they do not know how

They say he was not assaulted or robbed, for his gold watch and chain, a stickpin and a considerable amount of noney were in his clothing.

THEATRE CROWD SEES FIRE Firemen Overcome and Engine Hits Car at Broadway Blaze.

The blaze had gained considerable heada second and a third alarm were sent in almost simultaneously

sent into the basement were overcome. but after being brought to the street were quickly revived and were able to

While Engine Company 3 was re-Seventh avenue. The wagon and shaft vere broken and the horses were so badly injured that it was feared that the nimals would have to be destroyed.

SHE LIKES AMERICAN MEN Lady Robinson Quits England to Live in This Country

1 Ry Telegraph to The Tr San Francisco, April 29.—Lady Robinon, of London, widow of Sir Clifton Robinson, announced her decision to-day to make her home in California. She is greatly pleased with America, and in an interview to-day paid a high tribute to American men. Declaring that she was

ot a suffragist, Lady Robinson said: "No. I don't want to vote. Of course the American men are so nice about it that they don't even think of refusing somen the right to vote when the request is made. That is one of the reasons I have decided to remain here in California-your men are so awfully Nicer than the Englishmen? I think that question is answered already.

Lady Robinson and a companion, Miss Olive Morrison, of Chicago, arrived here day or two ago on the steamer Korea ofter a tour of the world, and in a few lays will leave for Los Angeles, where she formerly passed several months. She is one of the richest women in England. Her husband was possessed of great wealth, most of which went to her. She has a son in England who is about

RIOT AT PRAYER MEETING to port, which made the boat hang per- Zionists Beaten by Tobacco Users in a Hard Fight.

Zion City, Ill., April 29.-Rioting, which may result seriously, started here late this evening, when employes of the indetacked a group of two hundred Zion men and women at a prayer meeting. Men and women were beaten with clubs and blackjacks and several were seriously

injured.

As a protest against the use of tobacco by the employes, followers of Wilbur Glenn Voliva, successor to John Mortimer Coon, 5th District; Lynn J. Alexander Dowie, have been holding Arnold, 6th District; Henry G. Danforth, prayer meetings in front of one of the 7th District; Clark H. Timerman, 8th plants twice a day. Elder Royal had District, and William C. Osborn, 9th just called the second meeting to-day, District when several scores of men rushed out of the plant, tore down or leaped over barriers erected around the prayer platform, and drove the Zionists from that part of town.

Elder F. M. Royal and Joseph Bishor were the most seriously injured in the prayer meeting fight. Both were badly beaten, and it is thought Bishop's skull was fractured.

BOSTON BARS TITANIC PICTURES. Boston, April 29.-Mayor Fitzgerald notified all the motion picture houses in this

Dewey's Claret or Sauterne Punch For all Social Functions H.T.DEWEY & SONS CO., 138FultonSt., N.Y.

JEROME MAY FIGHT RELEASE OF THAW

Lawyers Think State's Side Would Be Weakened by Absence of Man Who Prosecuted Stanford White's Slayer.

CARMODY EXPECTED TO ACT

State Bar Association's Committee Points Out Mockery of Permitting Insane Man to Go Free in Belief He Will Not Be Violent Again

a right of freedom from all inheriting an abnormality of mind likely to develop into homicidal acts, lead ing a debased and ignoble life, without a thought of the responsibilities which wealth imposes upon its owner, commits a foul sponding to the third alarm it crashed and cowardly murder in a public resort. into a trolley car at 17th street and If he were sane, there could be no escape from the penalty of death. His only defence is insanity.

ay-and delays in haling murderers to the bur for trial bring the administration of the criminal law into disrepute-he is prought to a trial, which by reason of the canner in which it is conducted, degen rates into a disgraceful farce, and a con econd trial, conducted properly and with lignity, results in a verdict of acquittal or by the statute, to a state asylum for the tion from her said: eriminal insunc

From this he plans to get free upon suc cessive writs of habeas corpus, which he purposes to apply for as long as his purse will enable him to pay zealous counsel and unscrupulous experts. We say unscrupulous experts, for, to the shame of the medical profession be it spoken, the expert who at one time swears him out of jail on an opinion of insanity attempts at another time to swear him out of the asylum by an opinion of sanity.

forgetful are the murderer's family of their duty to society, their obligation to uphold the law, that they ald and abet the plot, and instead of leaving him to his fate, as it is their duty as citizens to do, they claim, for sooth, that he is an object of per

Among the numerous judges of the Su preme Court of this state the chances are that there is at least one whose head is not able to control his heart, and the only problem in this murderer's quest for freedom is to discover who that particular judge is. There may be a number of proccedings, but he will at last be found, and then upon a petition to him, presented by counsel persona grata, and backed up by the testimony of medical experts, whose favorable opinions can be bought for cash the path to freedom will be cleared of all

obstacles. It is a mere question of time and money when this particular murderer will be set free to direct his homicidal inclinations against some other citizen who has already pendent manufacturing concerns at fallen or may hereafter come under his displeasure. And everything done accord-

ing to the forms of law! The members of the committee making this report were John Brooks Leavit, 1st District; Frank Harvey Field, 2d District; A. Page Smith, 3d District; Edwin A. Merritt, jr., 4th District; S.

Acquittal of Insane a Mockery.

The report continued:

Such things ought not so to be. How can they be prevented without doing injustice to an unbappy individual whose criminal tendencies show him to be a victim of heredity and environment? The insureman is just as dangerous to the community as the same; in fact, he is more so, for the same man is to some extent open to the restraints of law or at least of prudence. The insume man is believed to be under no such restraint. We blied over to keep the peace, and can imprison if need be, the same man who threatens violence which he may never do. We acquit as innocent an insame man who has actually done a deed of violence. Was ever a more horrible mockery? The man who has already demonstrated that he is a menuce to society is on the opinion of an expert that he is not likely to misbehave again allowed to go free. Whereas a man whose violent words Such things ought not so to be. How c

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WOMAN SLAIN BY HUSBAND, WHO THEN KILLED



MRS ALBERT DE BRAHMS.

SLAYS WIFE, PLANS TO HUGE BROADWAY TORCH HIDE CRIME; KILLS SELF

Sunday in Rooms with Body Guests Alarmed in Several Near Breaks Violinist's Nerve, and He Uses Revolver and Rope.

'MY TURN NEXT." NOTE SAYS

Adds She Made His Life Unbear- Martinique, Imperial and Wal able, but He Will Escape Electric Chair-Turns Mother from Door, Then Dies.

whether imposed by law or the rules of Paris and Ostend, in a moment of jealas she was about to take her bath, twist heat of excitement as the red flames

> He left her body in the bathroom. What he did between the time of the Martinique and the Hotel Pierrepont, on crime and Saturday noon, when he was the other side the Hotel Aberdeen and seen by others in the apartment house at No. 229 West 35th street where they lived, is merely a matter of conjecture, It is known that on Saturday afternoon, about 5 o'clock, he returned to the of the Waldorf, as well as those of the apartment house with a bag filled with other hotels, were in a turmoil of explaster of paris. He met Mrs. Juliet citement. Those in the Waldorf were Gressier, who lived opposite him on the not so anxious as the others, who in

and I am going to fill up the mouse holes there was no immediate danger. n my apartment with it."

Says His Wife Had Gone Away. "How is Mrs. de Brahms"" asked Mrs

"She is well," repited De Brahms. "She

has gone away Mrs. Gressler went out into the street,

and to the negro elevator boy De Brahms ordered a trunk, which would be deivered Monday morning.

It was this trunk that led to the disovery of the murder and led to the suicide of De Brahms. Letters found in take his life at least an hour before the trunk was delivered yesterday morning.

at 11:45 o'clock De Brahms ordered the trunk from a 42d street house Saturday afternoon. He asked that it be delivered at once, and when told that was impossible. agreed to pay for it on condition that it

be delivered yesterday morning. After paying for the trunk he telephoned to Bustanoby's restaurant, in 23th street, where he was employed as made a tourniquet of his handkerchief first violin, that he would not be there

that night. Saturday night, the police believe, De-Brahms spent with the body of his wife, hand with an ambulance. which lay upon the marble floor of the bath room, the color of the very marble itself. The face, discolored because of the strangulation, he had partly covered with the plaster of paris, and the breast and thighs had likewise been treated in

same manner. Meant to Put Body in Trunk.

This, coupled with the fact that he had ordered a rather big and heavy trunk, made the police believe that he had intended to pack the body in the trunk, encasing it in plaster of paris, and ship it to some distant point. of his own trunks was almost packed with all that a man might require on a long journey, which led the police to be lieve it was his first intention to escape But many things happened between Saturday afternoon and yesterday morning, which led him to change his mind The first were the events of Sunday evening at the Bustanoby café, where hplayed as though nothing had hap

After he greeted his leader, Mauric (ontinued on third page, fourth column Angostura Bitters just what you need to one up the system in the Spring. Advt.

AS SKYSCRAPER BURNS

by Large Hotels from 32d Street Blaze.

LOSS ABOUT \$250,000

dorf Patrons Scared as Engines and Great Crowds Rush to Scene.

ous rage crept up behind his young wife ing and the Tenderloin was in a white blazing electric lights of that district.

On one side of the fire was the Hotel diagonally across the street the Hotel Imperial. The building runs through the block to 33d street, and the guests the ground of insanity, and thereupon the sixth floor, as he was about to step into many instances wished to leave immetier is sent by the court, as required the elevator, and in response to a ques- diately, and rushed to their rooms to pack up their baggage, although they "I have plaster of paris in this bag, were assured by the fire captains that

Aged Women Hurry Out.

Two aged women, Mrs. H. J. H. Hill seventy years old, and Mrs. H. Knowles were in their rooms on the eighth floor of the Aberdeen and insisted on going out right away. They were taken down in an elevator and departed in a taxicab.

Chief Kenlon stood on the roof of the volunteered the information that his burning building and directed the work wife had gone away and that she had or pouring tens and tens of water in through the medium of a monster water tower and the powerful streams of the high pressure system. Apparatus of all sorts clogged the streets, and traffic was wellnigh at a standstill. The crowd in the apartment showed he had planned to Broadway was dense, and tried hard to get close to the fire, but lines of bluecoated police reserves under Captain McElroy, of the West 30th street station, hurled back the throng time and again.

Father McGean, the chaplain of the Fire Department, was on hand as usual, and caught Captain Hill, of one of the engine companies, as the fire fighter staggered out with a hand dripping with blood. He had been badly cut broken window pane. Father McGean and took the are captain to Dr. Banian, a departmental surgeon. Dr. Vic-

Firemen Driven Back

The cievator shaft offered a fine opportunity for the flames to spread, and they rushed like an open fire up a chimney. Once firemen got up from the street to the fifth and sixth floors, but a rush of flame and smoke drove them back to the fourth floor.

By 1:30 o'clock the sixth, seventh and eighth floors of the building had been practically burned out.

As the flames spread from the seventh to the eighth floor there was a series of muffled explosions, the cause of which could not be determined.

The crowd grew denser as the fire proeeded. People were beginning to come from the cafés and restaurants, and these all paused to stop and look. Not only the sidewalks were jammed, but Broadway was a snarled tangle of automobiles and cabs and motioniess street-Reserves were called from the West 37th and West 17th street stations to reinforce those from the Tenderloin

After two hours' desperate work the fire was finally under control. Chief Kenlon estimated the loss at \$250,000.

TAFT AND ROOSEVELT **ROCK OLD BAY STATE**

* * PRICE ONE CENT In City of New York, Jersey City and Hobo

President and Ex-President Dash Through Massachusetts Towns in Final Appeals for Votes at Primary To-day.

CHEERING CROWDS GREET THEM.

Thousands Applaud as Executive Asks the People to Give Him a Square Deal-Follows Trail of Colonel Who Raises Cry of Bosses and Interests—Democrats Active.

The campaign for the thirty-six delegates which Massachusetts will send to the Republican National Convention in June closed last night in a whirlwind of speechmaking. Speakers representing the Republican and Democratic candidates stumped the state throughout the day, and the contest, by reason of the presence of President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt, presented a spectacle unprecedented in American politics.

The President made speeches to enthusiastic crowds. Starting at Attleboro, he travelled through populous districts, everywhere being met by cheering throngs, and ended the strenuous efforts of the day with a speech at Melrose. Mr. Taft's appeal for a square deal evoked enthusiasm wherever he went, and last night his managers were encouraged to predict that he would win a sweeping victory at the polls to-day.

Ex-President Roosevelt spent an active day of speechmaking. Beginning at a suburb of Boston early in the morning, he made twenty speeches, ending with a meeting at Pittsfield, in the western part of the state, in the evening. The colonel was met by large and responsive audiences. His talks were devoted largely to attacks on the bosses and to replies to Mr. Taft, extracts of whose speeches he received by wire.

Of the thirty-six delegates to each of the party conventions eight will be chosen at large and two from each of the fourteen Congress districts. The Taft forces claim thirty-four of the delegates. The Roosevelt men say they will win at least eighteen of the Congress delegates, and profess to have strong hope of

capturing the delegates-at-large. On the Democratic side, the contest between Governor Woodrow Wilson and Speaker Champ Clark never attained the activities that marked the Taft and Roosevelt campaigns. As no other Democratic candidates have appeared in the field except Governor Foss, for whom there has been no concerted movement, the size of the party vote is expected to fall considerably below that for the Republican candidates.

Under the Massachusetts Presidential preferential primary law the state may show a preference for Roosevelt and yet choose a pledged Taft delegation.

The polls open at 6 a. m. in Boston. In several of the smaller towns, especially on Cape Cod, the polls will close either shortly before or shortly after noon. About 80 per cent of the 353 cities and towns will hold evening caucuses, so that definite news of the result is not expected before Wednesday morning.

COLONEL TELLS CROWDS TAFT ROUSES VOTERS BY PLEA FOR SQUARE DEAL TO OVERTHROW BOSSES

graph and Responds by Accusing President of Indecision.

Pittsfield, Mass., April 29,-"If you heim. He declared that the President Federal Express. had practically nothing in his campaign From the time he began his speechback of him outside of two or three from the great sinister special interests which stand behind these bosses."

of his speech to a reply to the things President Taft had been saying during the day at the other end of the state. state, the colonel received telegraphic reports of the President's speeches, and the polls to-morrow. in the latter part of the day he entered upon a long distance debate by retorting at Lowell to an audience that packed the to Mr. Taft's statements.

Denies Stirring Class Hatred.

tor, of the New York Hospital, was on ring up class hatred. This Colonel Roosevelt denied.

"The talk that I am stirring up class hatred is arrant nonsense," he declared In connection with this he said:

"If Mr. Taft's policy of flabby indecision and of helpless acquiescence in the wrongdoing of the crooked boss and the crooked financier is permitted to continue, there will really grow up class hatred in this country. There will grow up a very uncomfortable and very ugly feeling of discontent with political, social and industrial conditions."

Colonel Roosevelt made it clear that he did not believe the sult of his campaign hinged upon the outcome of tomorrow's primaries.

"Mind you," he said, "I believe we can win this fight without Massachusetts, But I do not want Massachusetts to lag behind. I want it to be in the lead in the fight."

With his address in Pittsfield to-night Colonel Roosevelt wound up his campaign in Massachusetts. He made twenty speeches, going from Boston through towns along the North Shore to Lawrence and Lowell, and then across the northern part of the state to the

Gets Taft's Speeches by Tele- Suggests Amendment to Constitution Making President Ineligible for Re-election.

Boston, April 29.-President Taft ended ote for Mr. Taft you vote for these a twelve-hour campaign through Eastnen," said Colonel Roosevelt here to- ern Massachusetts in Boston to-night, night, after referring to Senators Lori- leaving this city for Washington at 8 mer, Penrose, Gallinger and Guggen- o'clock in a special car attached to the

making at Attleboro with a talk on the states, except the support he received tariff until he made his last address at from those men "and their like, and Melrose and asked for "a square deal," the President spurred his husky voice into strenuous action. It was one of the Colonel Roosevelt devoted a large part hardest campaign days Mr. Taft has spent since he entered the White House. but both the President himself and the members of his party were confident to-At intervals, on his journey across the night that his second invasion of the Bay State would bring votes for him to

Mr. Taft's last long address was made Opera House. So eager was the crowd to gain admittance that several members of the President's own party could not had asserted that the colonel was stirand Mr. Roosevelt's charges, some one in the gallery shouted: "He's a liar!" "No, that isn't in my vocabulary," said

the President. Later, when he was referring to the Lorimer case, evidently the same man repeated his cry after a mention of Colo nel Roosevelt's name: "He's a liar!"

Refuses to Adopt the Term. "My experience on the bench has taught me the value of words," said Mr. Taft. "One of the most unsafe things to do is to go further than to show the facts. I appreciate the support of my distinguishe and enthusiastic friend. but I must decline to adopt his vocabu-

After declaring he was sorry it was necessary for him to have to mingle in political struggle, he suggested an amendment to the Constitution so that a President should serve six or eight years and be ineligible for re-election.

"I think that would prevent this," he "No man has the right to misrepresent

another to get himself up in office, no matter how humble that man is," the President shouted at one point in his

Lowell address. "Condemn me, if you will," he said in